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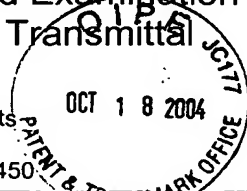
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First Named Inventor	R. FURUKAWA, et al.
Art Unit	2818
Examiner Name	Q.D. Hoang
Attorney Docket Number	501.42174VX1

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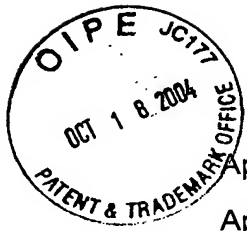
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INTEGRATED CIRCUIT DEVICE  
Group: 2818  
Examiner: Q. Hoang

**SUBMISSION UNDER 37 CFR § 1.114  
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Transmittal in the above-identified application, please amend the above-identified  
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Amendments to the Claims; and

Remarks are included following the amendments.

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